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SUBJECT: DAILY MEDIA REACTION REPORT

1. PRESIDENT NIXON'S MIDEAST TRIP: RECIVES PROMINENT AND MOSTLY FAVORABLE PRESS PLAY, WITH EMPHASIS ON ITS SIGNIFICANCE FOR CONSOLIDATING PEACE IN THE AREA AND REINFORCING DECLINE IN THE USSR'S INFLUENCE IN MIDEAST. SAMPLE FRONT-PAGE HEADLINE: CONSERVATIVE CORREIO BRAZILIENSE (LARGEST CIRCULATION IN BRASILIA): "NIXON TRAVELS TO MIDEAST TO CONSOLIDATE PEACE" (JUNE 11).

2. INFLUENTIAL O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO EDITORIAL HEADLINED "THE OPPORTUNITY OF NIXON'S TRIP" SAYS "... WHOEVER OBSERVES NIXON'S CURRENT TRIP IN THE LIGHT OF U.S. AND THE WEST GLOBAL INTERESTS, AND NOT IN THE LIGHT OF A HARASSED PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL INTERESTS, HAS TO RECOGNIZE THAT HE CHOSE THE RIGHT TIME. AFTER TWO ACCORDS REACHED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF AMERICAN DIPLOMACY, ARAB NATIONS AND ISRAEL BEGAN TO REVIEW THEIR MUTUAL RELATIONS AND THEIR RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. THE DEMOCRATIC SUPERPOWER (THUS) REGAINS IN THE MIDEAST A POSITION OF PREDOMINANT INFLUENCE. ...THE VISIT -- CONSIDERED INCONCEIVABLE SIX MONTHS AGO -- FOR VARIOUS REASONS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A

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LANDMARK OF THE NEW U.S. POSITION IN THAT AREA. ..."

(JUNE 11).

3. WEEKLY MAGAZINE VEJA OF JUNE 12 CARRIES TWO-PAGE REPORT HEADLINED "THE FRUITS OF KISSINGER'S PEACE", ILLUSTRATED WITH A PHOTO OF PRESIDENT NIXON CAPTIONED "NIXON - ENJOYING A NEW DIPLOMACY VICTORY." ARTICLE SAYS: "...NO MATTER WHAT NIXON'S MOTIVATIONS (TO MAKE THE TRIP) ARE, HIS PRESENCE IN THE MIDEAST DOES NOT LOSE ITS SYMBOLIC IMPORTANCE. FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT... AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT IS VISITING THAT AREA. FURTHERMORE, AS A DEMONSTRATION OF U.S. INTERNATIONAL PRESTIGE, AT THE SAME TIME NIXON WILL BE VISITING BOTH ISRAEL AND FOUR ARAB NATIONS -- THAT IS TO SAY, HE WILL MOVE FREELY AMONG THE TRADITIONAL ENEMIES OF THAT REGION. AND, ABOVE ALL, THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP WILL SERVE AS A LANDMARK OF CRUCIAL IMPORTANCE IN THE DISPUTE FOR WORLD POWER: THE MOMENT IN WHICH THE U.S. REGAINS ITS STRENGTH IN THE MIDEAST AND SUPPLANTS THE USSR AS THE MOST INFLUENTIAL POWER OVER THE ARAB NATIONS. ..."

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